

DATE: March 30, 1987

SUBJECT: Polrep #1, West Bank Asbestos Site

LOCATION: Nashua, New Hampshire

POLLUTANT: Asbestos

SDMS DocID

270166

OCCURENCE

DATE: 1960's

ENVIRONMENTAL MEDIA EFFECTED: Land

SEVERITY: Potentially Major

QUANTITY RELEASED: Unknown

QUANTITY ENTERING

THE ENVIRONMENT: Unknown

CATEGORY: Major

SOURCE: Dumping of Asbestos materials by the John-Mansville Company

CAUSE: Dumping and Improper Disposal

REGION: I

OSC: Paul Groulx

LATEST POLREP: Polrep #1, March 30, 1987

BACKGROUND

The West Bank Site is located in Nashua, New Hampshire.

The Site is located on Tax Map #24 and consists of Lot 18.

The Site is on a city owned property lot, between the ends of Hollis Street and Crown Street, adjacent to the Merrimack River south of the Taylor's Fall Bridge in Nashua, New Hampshire.

The lot is made up of an estimated 25-foot high slope extending along the river for approximately 1,000 feet. Asbestos baghouse and plate wastes are fully and partially exposed from below the waterline to the top edge of the slope. Large cavelike holes have eroded into the bank, exposing additional asbestos waste material. These cavelike openings indicate that asbestos deposits extend back into the riverbank at least 30 feet. The flat top of the slope is littered with deteriorating asbestos plate waste and large pieces of asbestos baghouse waste. Plate waste is visible underwater at the shore's edge.

The surrounding area consists of commercial and residential lots in a densely populated suburb of Nashua. The Site is approximately one mile

from the center of downtown Nashua, New Hampshire, and 1/2 mile from the center of Hudson, New Hampshire.

ACTIONS

1. On March 13, 1987 a ASTDR Health Assessment was issued for this Site; advising that the asbestos on-site was a health threat and should be mitigated.
2. On March 17, 1987 Notice Letters were sent to James W. Donchess, Mayor of Nashua, New Hampshire.
2. On March 23, 1987 a Action Memorandum for \$650,000 was submitted and approved by the Regional Administrator for removal activities at the West Bank Asbestos Site.
3. On March 30, 1987 a Draft Inter-Agency Agreement (IAG) with the USACE was submitted for review.

FUNDING

<u>CONTRACTOR</u>	<u>CEILING</u>	<u>OBLIGATION</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
USACE:	\$507,000	\$000,000	\$507,000
TAT:	\$103,000	\$ 00,000	\$103,000
INTRAMURAL:	\$ 40,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 38,000
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TOTALS	\$650,000	\$ 2,000	\$648,000

TOTAL PROJECT CEILING	-----	\$650,000
TOTAL PROJECT OBLIGATION	-----	\$ 2,000
TOTAL PROJECT BALANCE	-----	\$648,000

FUTURE PLANS

1. Submittal and approval of Final Draft USACE IAG
2. Surveying and coring of Site to determine total asbestos extent
3. Work designs for removal action by USACE

CASE PENDS: 1535EST/033087

Signature: _____
Paul Groulx, On-Scene Coordinator

Date: _____